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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Robert James Mason et al. :
Serial No : 09/230,955 : Examiner - B. Brumback
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For : ASSESSMENT OF
CERVICAL CELLS

AMENDMENT

Box Fee Amendment
Honourable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, DC 20231

S I R:

This is in response to the Office Action dated July 29, 2002 (paper no. 21). Per the petition and fee submitted herewith, Applicants invoke the benefit of 37 CFR 1.136 to secure a three-month extension of time up to and including January 29, 2003, for responding to the pending Office Action. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 50-0573. Kindly amend the above application, without prejudice, as follows.

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I hereby certify that this paper, along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed, is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on the date indicated below, with sufficient postage, as first class mail, in an envelope addressed to: Box Fee Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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